

# **HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – April 5, 2010**

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

**Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833**

**7:00 P.M. Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.**

### **HEARINGS:**

**Zoning Ordinance Amendment and Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment**

**Render a decision regarding a zoning ordinance amendment received on November 13, 2009 and filed by N.E. Ventures, LLC, 15 Wellstown Rd., Ashaway, RI, with Renova Lighting Systems, Inc. as lessee, for property owned by N.E. Ventures, LLC located at 15 Wellstown Rd. and identified as Assessor's Plat 4 Lot 22 a Manufacturing Zone. The applicant is requesting an amendment to Chapter 134 of the Zoning Ordinances of the Town of Hopkinton, as amended, to allow all manufacturing uses to be permitted on AP 4 Lot 22 so as to remove the restriction imposed by the Town Council on June 4, 2007, specifically Restriction No. 10 which states in part "10(a) That the use of this property is strictly limited to the light industrial use proposed by the applicant. Specifically, this use shall be, "the design,**

**engineering and assembly of lighting systems” and heard on February 16, 2010.**

**And,**

**Render a decision regarding a zoning ordinance text amendment received on January 12, 2010 filed by N.E. Ventures, LLC, 15 Wellstown Rd., Ashaway, RI, with Renova Lighting Systems, Inc. as lessee, for property owned by N.E. Ventures, LLC located at 15 Wellstown Rd. and identified as Assessor’s Plat 4 Lot 22 a Manufacturing Zone. The applicant is requesting a text amendment to Chapter 131 “Groundwater and Wellhead Protection Ordinance” to modify Section 5 of the Aquifer Primary Use Regulations, specifically the District Use Table to add a new Use Category 363 Design, engineering & assembly of lighting systems, electronic equipment & components to be allowed in the primary & secondary aquifer zones, to allow Use Category 341 Fabricated Metal Products except Ordnance, Machinery & Transportation Equipment to be allowed in the primary & secondary aquifer zones; and requesting an amendment to Chapter 134 “Zoning Ordinances” to modify Section 5 District Use Regulations specifically to allow new Use Category 363 Design, engineering & assembly of lighting systems, electronic equipment & components to be permitted in a Manufacturing Zone and heard on February 16, 2010.**

**Applicant or representative present.**

**Council deliberations.**

**Council decision.**

## **2010 CDBG Hearing**

**Open a Public hearing on the 200 Community Development Block Grant application.**

**Discussion – ranking of requests.**

**Decision - Motion to adopt authorizing resolution.**

## **Proposed Lighting Ordinance**

**Render a decision on a proposed Ordinance entitled “Lighting Ordinance”. The purpose of the ordinance is to establish a Lighting Ordinance that will preserve the rural integrity of the night sky for astronomy and enjoyment purposes; protect residents and surrounding environments from the effects of light pollution; promote energy efficient and sustainable lighting practices and luminaries; minimize adverse off-site impacts from new and existing lighting installations; permit reasonable uses of outdoor lighting for safety, security, productivity, commerce and enjoyment. The proposed ordinance includes sections covering Applicability, Exceptions, General Rules for Outdoor Lighting, Temporary Outdoor Lighting, Waterfront Lighting, Architectural and Landscape Lighting, Canopy and Service Lighting, Light Trespass and Signage. The proposed**

**Lighting Ordinance was introduced and sponsored by Council President Buck and heard on March 15, 2010.**

**Council deliberations.**

**Consider adoption of Lighting Ordinance.**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approve Budget Workshop Notes of March 10, 2010; Budget Workshop Notes of February 22, 2010; Accept the February 16, 2010 transcript as the record of the meeting pertaining to the hearing re: Renova Lighting zoning ordinance amendment and zoning ordinance text amendment; Set April 19, 2010 as a hearing date for renewal of a Junkyard License filed by Chase Hill Reclamation Co., LLC; Set April 19, 2010 as a hearing date for a Special Event License for Huck Finn Day; Accept the following reports: Tax Collector – which includes adjustments and collections to date; Tax Assessor – which includes abatements & supplements.**

## **MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

## **TOWN SOLICITOR REPORT**

## **COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT**

# **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Authorize the Finance Department to pay the Town Bills (Additions-Deletions).**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Request of CDBG Coordinator for the installation of stop signs on Town-maintained roads re: Rockville Mill.**

**Award bid re: Statistical Revaluation.**

**Consider vote to exceed 4.5% tax cap.**

**Consider Board/Commission appointments:**

- 1. Recreation Commission.**
- 2. Hopkinton Land Trust.**

**Authorize Town Clerk to advertise for vacancy on Juvenile Hearing Board as well as other Board/Commission vacancies.**

**Appoint alternate Municipal Court Judge.**

**Report re: March 2010 Flooding.**

**Budget Status**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**ADJOURN**

**The Town of Hopkinton does not discriminate on the basis of disability. Anyone requiring special services or devices please call 377-7777 (V) or 377-7773 (TDD) 48 hours prior to the hearing.**

**Posting date: April 2, 2010**